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Applicant: Hugh R. Sharkey et al.

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: SURGICAL INSTRUMENT HAVING DISTAL FACE WITH FIRST AND

SECOND ELECTRODES

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated July 24, 2002, be extended for three months to and including January 24, 2003.

Enclosed is a check for \$930 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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